REMARKS

Claims 1, 14, and 16 have been amended to clarify the subject matter regarded as the invention. Claims 1-7, 9-14, and 16-22 are pending and stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a).

Claims 1, 14, and 16 have been amended to recite that "the behavioral pattern of packets comprises a behavioral password that includes a prescribed sequence of one or more of the following: connection requests, probes, and scans." Support for the amendment is found in the specification, without limitation, at page 12, lines 14-19 and page 13, lines 20-21. The use of sequence numbers to ensure packets are processed in order, as taught by Kalajan and Teraoka, is not the same as a "behavioral password", since a password is kept secret and the sequence order as taught by Kalajan and Teraoka is known by all, and in any event packet sequence number order is not the same as a "prescribed sequence" of connection requests, probes, and/or scans, as recited in claims 1, 14, and 16. Therefore, claims 1, 14, and 16 are believed to be allowable.

Claims 1-7, 9-13 depend from claim 1 and are believed to be allowable for the same reasons described above. Likewise, claims 17-22 depend from claim 14 and are believed to be allowable for the same reasons described above.

The foregoing amendments are not to be taken as an admission of unpatentability of any of the claims prior to the amendments.

Reconsideration of the application and allowance of all claims are respectfully requested based on the preceding remarks. If at any time the Examiner believes that an interview would be helpful, please contact the undersigned.

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